# COMPLETE STREETS COMMITTEE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, CT MINUTES AUGUST 8, 2016

In attendance: Cindi Perugini, Ron Krom, David Sandler, Pam Frost, Chaired by: Beth Emery

Minutes of the June 2016 meeting accepted by David and Pam

# Bike/Walk to School and champion for Bike Safety Education:

Monica (liaison) was not in attendance.

Beth asked if anyone would like to be the liaison for promoting Bike Safety Education within the school system. No one volunteered.

### Report on outreach to Department of Public Health and Board of Health:

Ron stated Monica attended the meeting but they haven't communicated.

### **Road Bond Schedule:**

it is unknown at this time which streets are scheduled to be worked on this year, or which roads will be included in the road bond.

The members who attended this meeting selected 4 roads off the CS Priority list that would be beneficial for next years road bond construction:

Millbrook Road; bike lane signs, paving

Long Lane: bike lane sign/share the road signs

Highland Avenue: Wesleyan: crosswalk for pedestrians

Saybrook Road Project: it is imperative the committee stays on top of this project so it is completed to ensure safe travel for bikes/pedestrians/vehicles. (include Wall Street, Clew

Street and East Main Street)

#### **UCONN Crash Data site:**

David sorted out information from the site, but still needs to narrow it further. It's not a user friendly program and time consuming. He provided the following information: 2012: 72 incidents, most of which occurred at the route 17 (Harbor Park) on ramp to route 9 northbound.

Route 9 Traffic Light Elimination Proposal: public meeting was held July 26, 2016: Discussion regarding whether the committee as an appointed entity of the City of

Middletown should address issues of concern on behalf of the committee itself. Will there be any adverse effect on the committee?

The members decided it might not be in the best interest of the committee to send a letter to DOT regarding issues and concerns for the project. The deadline of August 12, 2016 would not allow sufficient time to formulate a letter without additional members input.

It was suggested those who wished to contact DOT should do so on their own personal behalf.

The DOT proposed roundabout at the Washington Street exit seemed to draw many concerns for bike/pedestrian safety regarding the speed of the traffic when exiting the highway.

Cindi stated she will send an email to DOT before the deadline on August 12, 2016 expressing her opinion.

Other issues of concern regarding the Route 9 proposal: bump-outs on main street; committee members in attendance supported this. roundabouts overpass/walkway to Harbor Park

Should the committee send communication to Mayor Drew and Tom Nigosanti expressing our support or concerns for particular parts of this project? (put on agenda for September 12 meeting)

### Parks Project: September 16, 2016 meeting;

The committee should stay in the loop for these projects as it may effect some CS priorities.

Beth expressed an interest in possible statistics of percentage of kids and adults participating in organized sports and utilizing the facilities.

Next meeting September 12, 2016 7:00 PM Common Council Chambers